

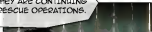


...HAVE BEEN
INVESTIGATED.



THE CASUALTIES
CURRENTLY CONFIRMED
BY THE SHELTER
DEFENSE FORCES

ARE 89 DEAD
AND 140 INJURED,
AND THEY ARE CONTINUING
THE RESCUE OPERATIONS.





SMOKE

THE BUILDING
DIDN'T SUDDENLY
COLLAPSE FROM
EXPLOSIVES, BUT
IT GRADUALLY.

I KNEW IT!
THOSE DAMN
ANDROIDS!

I'LL DESTROY
EVERY SINGLE
ONE OF THEM!!



I WON'T
FORGIVE THEM!

THAT'S RIGHT!
WE NEED TO
TAKE REVENGE!



UP NEXT IS
THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT
FROM THE SPOKESPERSON
OF THE SHELTER DEFENSE
FORCES.

SHELTER CITIZENS,
GOOD AFTERNOON.



FIRST, I WOULD LIKE
TO OFFER MY SINCERE
CONDOLENCES TO
THE FAMILIES WHO HAVE
SUFFERED GREAT LOSSES
DURING THIS MISSION.

THIS WAS AN URGENT
MISSION UNDERTAKEN WITH
THE INTENT TO COMPLETELY
ELIMINATE THE ANDROIDS
OUTSIDE THE SHELTER.





AND WE SWIFTLY EXECUTED
THE MISSION AS SOON AS WE
DISCOVERED THEIR HIDEOUT.

RIGHT AFTER
THE OPERATION BEGAN,
THE ANDROID REMNANTS
DETECTED OUR MOVEMENTS
AND RESISTED FIERCELY.



AND WHILE THE
SHELTER DEFENSE
FORCES BRAVELY FOUGHT
WITHOUT GIVING AN INCH,

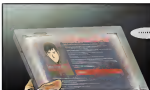
THE ANDROIDS HAD PLANTED
EXPLOSIVES BEFOREHAND, AND
WE ENDED UP SUFFERING
GREAT LOSSES WHEN
THE BUILDING BLEW UP.



EXPLOSIVES?
THERE WEREN'T
ANY EXPLOSIVES
THERE...



WE MUST AVENGE
OUR FALLEN
COMRADES!!



THE DEPLOYED SOLDIERS WERE
OPERATING WITHIN THE INFLUENCE
OF JAMMERS AND THEREFORE WERE
CUT OFF FROM COMMUNICATIONS,





AND AS
A RESULT, THE
DAMAGES WERE
MORE SEVERE.

IN RESPONSE,
THE SHELTER CONGRESS
HAS QUICKLY PASSED
A NEW POLICY TO
DRASTICALLY INCREASE
OUR MILITARY BUDGET,

AND THE SHELTER DEFENSE
FORCES ARE TAKING
INTO ACCOUNT THE
COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS
DUE TO THE JAMMER'S
RESIDUAL EFFECTS.



IN ORDER TO DEVELOP
MORE POWERFUL MILITARY
TECHNOLOGIES, WE WILL
ELIMINATE THE ANDROIDS



HE COULD LEAVE, CURSING
THE SHELTER DEFENSES FOR
NOT PRIORITIZING THE RESCUE
OPERATION AND EVEN FAILING EVERY
ONE OF THEIR MISSIONS...

OR HE COULD ONCE
AGAIN FULLY JOIN THE WAR
AGAINST THE ANDROIDS
TO AVENGE HIS SON.



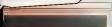
WHAT CHOICE DO
YOU THINK LORENCINI
WILL MAKE?



I WONDER...



THE SHELTER DEFENSE
FORCES MUST PUNISH
THE ANDROIDS, THE ROOT
OF EVIL THAT WILL DO US
HARM UNTIL THE END.



FIXING THE JAMMER'S
RESIDUAL EFFECTS..

THAT'S ON A WHOLE DIFFERENT
LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY FROM OUR
PREVIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO
THE JAMMER'S RANGE
OR POWER.



DOCTOR LORENCINI IS
THE ONLY PERSON WHO
WOULD BE CAPABLE OF SUCH
A FEAT, BUT WOULD HE BE
WILLING TO DO IT?



HE'S BEEN WORKING
WITH US ON THE CONDITION
THAT HE WOULD LEAVE
AFTER DEVELOPING
THE NEW JAMMERS.

HIS ONLY SON STILL HASN'T
BEEN FOUND IN THE RUBBLE OF
THE COLLAPSED BUILDING,
SO HE HAS TWO CHOICES.





ANDROIDS!

ANDROIDSSSS!!!



CRASH!!

GAHHHHHHH!!!!



HOLD HIM!

PLEASE
CALM DOWN!



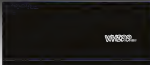
... ..

DOCTOR!





31- Ancestor(I)





LOOKS LIKE HE PICKED
THE LATTER OPTION.

SYSTEM RECONFIGURATION
COMPLETE.



END OF RECOVERY
SEQUENCE.





.....



КАНАНАНА-

*THIS SHOULDN'T
HURT ONE BIT.*



*BUT OF COURSE,
HUMANS ARE WEAK.
KAHAHAH-*

AH! WHALE!



ALL DONE.
I EVEN DISINFECTED IT.
SO IT SHOULD BE FINE.



YES! THANKS.

WHOLE,
THIS ANDROID
SAVED US.



KUHHA-
MORE ACCURATELY,
YOU SAVED
YOURSELVES.





I HAVE NO IDEA
HOW YOU ESCAPED
FROM THAT MESS,
THOUGH.

I ONLY
FOUND YOU
LYING OUTSIDE.

THAT PUPPY OVER THERE
KEPT BARKING, SO I WENT
TO SEE WHAT HAPPENED AND
FOUND YOU COLLAPSED
THERE.



..WHO ARE
YOU?



HOW SHOULD
I EXPLAIN... WELL,
I'M NOT A BAD
PERSON.



OR SHOULD I SAY, A BAD
ANDROID. KUHahaha-

YOU'RE NOT FIGHTING AGAINST
THE HUMANS ALONGSIDE THE OTHER
ANDROIDS?



THERE'S NO
REASON FOR ME TO.

I HAVEN'T RECEIVED
THAT MESSAGE FROM
SEPETTO THAT ALL OF
YOU SO BLINDLY
OBEY.

DOES THAT MEAN
YOU'RE AN ANDROID
FROM BEFORE DOCTOR
SEPETTO'S
GENERATION?



IT WOULD
BE MORE
ACCURATE TO SAY
I'M RIGHT
IN BETWEEN.

MY BIRTH WAS
LIKE A MUTATION.



I WAS A FAILURE.

A FAILURE...?



THAT'S RIGHT. A FAILURE.
IT IS SAID THAT THE HISTORY
OF ROBOT ENGINEERING
CAN BE DIVIDED INTO PRE
AND POST DOCTOR
SEPETTO ERAS.



BUT IT DOESN'T MAKE
SENSE THAT THE CHANGE
HAPPENED OVERNIGHT,
RIGHT?

I WAS AN
EXPERIMENTAL SUBJECT
THAT BRIDGED THE GAP BETWEEN
THE TWO GENERATIONS
OF ANDROIDS.



WITH THE GOAL
OF CREATING AN ANDROID
MUCH MORE SIMILAR TO HUMANS,
PLENTY OF ROBOT ENGINEERS
ENDLESSLY POKED AROUND IN
MY ARTIFICIAL BRAIN.

LIKE THIS,
LIKE THAT, CHANGING,
FIXING, WIPING,
THEY DID HUNDREDS
OF THOUSANDS
OF EXPERIMENTS.



AS A RESULT,
MY BRAIN IS TWISTED
INTO A TOTAL WRECK.

IN THE PROCESS,
THEY MADE THE UNEXPECTED
DISCOVERY OF AN ALGORITHM
IN ARTIFICIAL BRAINS.



DISCOVERIES USUALLY
COME FROM WHERE YOU
LEAST EXPECT THEM.
THAT'S WHAT
MAKES HUMANS
SO INTERESTING.
KUHAHAH-

I WAS SET TO BE
DESTROYED, BUT DOCTOR SEPETTO
FOUND A CLUE FROM THAT
UNEXPECTED DISCOVERY,
AND TOOK ME IN.





THANKS TO THAT,
I'M STILL OPERATING
LIKE THIS.



MY FATHER...



THAT'S RIGHT. FROM MY
BASIC MODEL, DOCTOR SEPETTO
CREATED NUMEROUS VARIATIONS
OF ANDROIDS.

*THE ORIGINAL MODEL
OF EVERY ANDROIDS
GEPETTO CREATED.*

GE PETTO

31 - Ancestor(1)

END

WHAT ARE
YOU REALLY...?



MY NAME IS
PINOCCHIO.

